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> Stating That Maine Was Blown un From Outside.

Strength of the American Warships From an English Standpoint-Continued Warlake Proparations.

Washington, Mar. 3.-In whatever ac tion President McKinley may decide to take in the light of the Maine disaster to effect a settlement of the Cuban question, he will undoubtedly have the unanimous, non-partisan support of the American congress. A democratic senator recently drew up a resolution, expressing it to be the Our selection of silks is sense of congress that the hands of the administration should be upheld, no matter what the cost, in any controversy with Spain that should go beyond the limits of diplomatic conference, and a canvass of rejublicans, democrate and, showed that such a resolution would be passed promptly. It has not yet been introduced because it is not certain that the time will ever come when its passage would be wise. The senator has it in his pocket, however, and will present it if the emergency arises threatening to involve the United States in conflict.

Something of the temper of congress in regard to enacting legislation demanded by the needs of the naval and military establishments will be shown by the action of the house on the Hawley bill, providing for enlisting two additional regiments of artillery. It was thought that a meeting of the committee on rules would be held today to report a special rule for the consideration of the bill. No meeting was held, but the matter may be arranged before the hour of meeting of the house tomorrow. Reed thinks the bill unwise, but the other republican members, Henderson of Iowa, and Dalzell of Pennsylvania, favor the bill, while the democratic members, Bailey of Texas, and McMillin of Tennessee, oppose it. Undoubtedly a minority of these will vote for the bill if they get an opportunity, and it is reasonable to suppose that an arangement will be made.

BURIAL AT KEY WEST.

Key West, Mar. 3 .- Flags were at half mast all over the city today. The unidentified body of one of the Maine's victims arrived on the Bache this morning. It was received at the government pier by a detail of forty-eight men from the Marblehead, under Capt. McCalla, who conducted it to the Protestant cemetery, where it was interred with the Episcopal service. The coffin was covered with flowers, sent by sympathizers and hundreds spectators gathered about the cemetery to witness the

ent awaiting orders.

The board of inquiry is awaiting advices from Havana before determining what to do next. It will probably return

THE STRENGTH OF OUR NAVY. Lodon, Mar. 3 .- "The United States will have every town on the Spanish coast

blown to atoms, I am ready to wager, a month after the beginning of hostilities," said William Allan, who represents the Gateshead division of the house of commons, is one of the largest shipbuilders on the Tyne, and an acknowledged authority on naval questions.

"I have always expressed, as you know, my admiration for American warships. challenged our government to prove one of our new cruisers more powerful than those of the United States by sending her across the Atlantic at full speed as the United If a Conflict With Spain is States has sent the Columbia, but our government declined.

"I consider that America has some of the very finest ships afloat, and I know the American saflors to be as good as any in the world. There will be no war, however. The Spanish government knows it would be a signal for a Carlist rising."

SHIPPING AMMUNITION.

New York, Mar. 3.-There is a continuance of activity at the New York arsenal. The shipping of shells and other projectiles to fortifications about the harbor continues. It is expected that a battery of 20 12-inch mortars will soon be received a Sandy Hook for besting before they are forwarded to their destinations. There are a number of unmounted guns at the proving grounds, awaiting the construction of carriages. The supply of ammunition has increased in all the magazines. A large consignment of ammunition, including powder and projectiles, is ready for shipment at the ordnance department of the Brooklyn navy yard.

HAS LEE REPORTED?

Washington, Mar. 3 .- Although the ministration is undoubtedly without advices from the Maine board of inquiry tending to show what its findings will be, there are good reasons for belief that from other official sources information has been eccived that the evidence taken by the board will show that the disaster was not the result of an accident.

It is rumored that Consul General Lee has sent directly to McKinley a statement in regard to the cause of the explosion today. The rumor came from a person in position to know whether any message of the sort has come from Lee.

All those from whom information was obtained, agreed that Lee had made _a tatement or expressed an opinion that the Maine was destroyed by causes from outside, and it had been clearly proved that the accident theory is not supported.

The letter is not believed to have been written by Lee in his official capacity, but only as from one citizen to another. He denied today that the board has informed the navy department that it had secured enough evidence to justify the prpearation of a report, buit that it would return to Havana to hear further testimony from divers engaged on the wreck. Naval officers said that the board would return to Havana. He said that none of the divers succeeded in getting into some parts of the sunken hull and they would be obliged to blast away the debris to do so.

HAVE NOT REPORTED.

Washington, Mar. 3.-Secretary Long today authorized an absolute and positive denial of the report asserting that a partial or prefiminary report had been received by the government from the Maine inquiry board, declaring the loss of the Maine due to an external explosion. He said no report of any kind had been received and the public had all the information that had been received.

TRANSPORTATION OF TROCPS.

Norfolk, Mar. 3.-The government has an agent here, engaged in making the rounds of all the railroad offices, presentng forms, which are immediately filled. Among the questions asked are: "What s the capacity of your road for carrying oal? What are your wharf facilities, etc.?" The Norfolk mavy yard is advertising for nen, shipfitters are particularly wanted. The work on the Puritan, New York and Foote is being rushed.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

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EXCURSION

Forty-six Witnesses to Talk About Judge Ewart

Summoned to Appear Before Senate Committee.

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Some of the Charges That are to be Investigated.

Butler Does not Father Them but Simply Calls Attention to Them-Probability That the Inquiry Will be a Protracted One.

The result of the investigation of the charges preferred by Senator Butler against Judge H. G. Ewart which will be heard before the senate sub-committee Saturday, is anxiously awaited by the people of this section of the state. Indications point to a prolonged investigation. Some of the charges, if sustained, would perhaps defeat his confirmation, but it is stated upon good authority that each and every one of these charges made by Senato Butler will be fully and completely re-

The charges that have been preferred against Judge Ewart, according to Senator Butler, are numerous and, in his opinion, sufficient to cause the rejection of the nom ination. It is alleged against Judge Ewart that while in congress he sold his patronage; that he sold public documents to which his constituents were entitled; that he collected money for clients and failed to account for the same; that he violated the state law by riding on railrhad parter and collected from the state the \$250 allowed judicial officers for railroad transportation. That he held special terms of court which ran over for one hour on the following Monday, and drew one hundred dollars for the extra week although the court had adjourned and many more other charges which are not given

It is stated that Senator Butler does not father these charges, but calls the attention of the judiciary committee to them and furnishes the committee with names of the following witnesses, who have been subpoensed to substantiate the truth of the charges: Gov. Russell and Judge Merrimon, Frank Carter, Lawyer T. A. Jones, and J. S. Adams, who made the run for congress against Pearson, and J. P. Kerry editor of the Citizen, all of Asheville; ex-Congressman Crawford, Waynesville, and S. V. Pickens of Hendersmonville. Senator Pritchard, who is confident that Judge Ewart will come out all right, has furnished the names of the following witnesses, who have been subpoenaed, to refute the charges: Ex-Mayor Patton of Asheville, Attorney Cobb of Ashe ville, M. A. Chandley, clerk of the court of Madison county, Sheriff Williams, clerk of the court . C. M. Pace, W. J. Davis, J. G. Grant, ex-sheriff of Hendersonville and J. W. Bowman of Bakersville. The friends of Judge Ewart are not alarmed, but feel confident that every charge can be successfully met.

The hearing will take place before the judiciary committee on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. It will be behind closed

George K. Pritchard, ex-sheriff of Mitchsergeant-at-arms of the United States sen-

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ate, is in the city with subpoenas for large number of witnesses residing in Asheville, some of whom are mentioned above, and all of whom are mentioned and will leave for W

ing. Among the twenty-six Ash wire in summoned are Solicitor McCall and Clerk Wilson, the others being members of the bar. A Gazette reporter hed a talk with Mr. Pritchard, who is a brother of Senator Pritchard, and ascertained that he had in will be allowed by the government five cents a mile for their journey to Washington and \$3.00 a day during the time of their absence from their homes.

Mr. Pritchard when asked his opinion of the result of the investigation said that the investigation might last a week, but that his brother was confident it would result in a complete vindication of Judge Ewart and that he would be promptly confirmed. The following is a copy of the subpoenss being served:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. -Congress of the United States .-

..... Greeting: Pursuant to lawful authority, you are commanded to appear before the committee on the Judiciary of the Senate of the United States, on March 5, 1898, at ten o'clock a. m., at their committee room in the Capitol at Washington, D. C., then and there to testify what you may know relative to the subject matters under considera-

tion by said committee: "A hearing in the case of Hamilton Glover Ewart."

Hereof fail not, as you will answer your default under the pains and penalities in such case made and provided. To Richard J. Bright, sergeant-atarms of the United States, to serve and

Given under my hand, by order of the committee this 2nd day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and nimety-eight.

GEO. F. HOAR. Chairman Judiciary Committee.

SUDDEN SEA TRAGEDY

NINE PERSONS DROWNED ON A SCHOONER.

They Were in the Cabin When the Vessel Capsized-Men Women and Children.

Key West, Mar. 3.-The schooner Shed wel, Capt. Collier, enroute from Marci Fla., to this place, capsized off Marquesa Key early this morning and nine people were drowned. Among the lost were Brad ley Nichols and wife, Bradley, Nichols, jr. and wife and two children, all of New York. The schooner was owned by Capt Collier, who was bringing her to Key Wes to sel_her to Capt. Cates. The Nichols camily took passage in her on their way

In addition to the six members of the

Nichols family and Captain Collier, the

schooner carried three children of the captain's, boys, aged four, six and eight years These children and the Nichols family were in the cabin. Capt. Collier had the wheel and a sailor was on the lookout. Capt. Cates was in a bunk in the forecastle, when very unexpectedly a fierce squall came up. The schooner rolled over. Bradley Nichols, sr., struggled out on deck, but fell overboard and was drowned. The younger Mrs. Nichols got her head and shoulders out of the companion way, but the rising water swept across the deck, and waving her hand farewell to Capt. Cates, she disappeared. Others in the cabin were not seen. The schooner soon righted and Capts. Collier and Cates with sailors got into the rigging. Then the yawl came up from the hull and the three survivors bailed out the yawl and got assiore.

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all forty-six subpoenas. These witnesses Tabled in the House by a Strong Majority.

> Only Ten Democrats Voted for the Measure.

> The Killing of the Negro Postmaster at Lake City.

> Crime Clearly Within Score of Federal Jurisdiction.

The Senate Appoints Conferees on the Bankruptcy Bill-The Proposed Homestead Law for Alaska.

Washigton, Mar. 3.—Champ Clark did it with his speech yesterday. Rallying the democratic, populist and free silver forces solidly, he sounded the knell of the Loud bill, regulating second class mail matter, and when the vote was taken this afternoon, after three days' discussion, the bill was laid on the table, 162 to 119.

On the 5th of January, 1897, substantially the same measure was p house, 144 to 104. In the division today all but ten democrats-Allen, Davey, Fleming, Hinrichson, Howard of Georgia, Love, Ogdon, Taylor of Alabama, Underwood and Young of Virginia, voted against the bill, and many republicans joined with the ma-

THE LAKE CITY CRIME.

Washington, Mar. 3. The resolutions offered in the senate yesterday by Mason of Illinois, for a joint committee to investigate the killing of the negro postmaster of Lake City, S. C., was taken up today and referred to the committee on contingent expenses, lafter reading a resolution from Harvard university, denouncing the outrage. (McLaurin of South Carolina, expressed regret that any discussion should take place on a subject bound to become po litical and a race question, but he had read an editorial from a Columbia, S. C., paper strongly denunciatory of the men who committed the outrage.

Harwley of Connecticut, said the crime was clearly brought within federal jurisdiction by the fact that it was a federal official who had been murdered and govern ment property destroyed. He expressed the opinion that the federal authorities ought to maintain close watch upon the proceed-

In the house White of North Carolina, th only negro member of congress, proposed a resolution appropriating \$1,000 for the relief of the dead postmaster's family, but no action was taken.

BANKRUPTCY BILL.

Washington, Mar. 3 .- In the senate the house substitute to the senate bankruptcy bill was taken up today on motion of Mr. Hoar to disagree and ask for a conference, Stewart continued his argument against (Continued on Eighth Page.)

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